



Frederick County Health Access Program

An Initiative of the Frederick County Health Care Coalition
in Partnership with the Frederick County Health Department

Providing Connections to Care

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The Frederick County Health Access Program (FCHAP) has been developed to improve access to health care for low-income uninsured residents of Frederick County. Qualified children and adults are connected with primary and specialty care providers who agree to see a limited number of enrollees for a reduced fee. Case management is provided by the program to assist members with obtaining follow-up diagnostic tests, referrals, and prescriptions.

Who can apply? Frederick County residents, children and adults, with family incomes less than 250% of the Federal Poverty Level, uninsured, and ineligible for public health insurance programs.

What's covered?

- Primary and specialist care visits for \$15
- Limited labs, x-rays, and diagnostic tests
- Prescription assistance
- Case management
- Transportation and interpretation services
- Referrals to network care providers
& community resources as needed

What's not covered?

- Emergency Department visits
- Hospitalizations
- Surgeries
- Dental care
- Prenatal care
- Oncology services
- Vision services

How does it work? Potential enrollees may be self-referred, referred by community agencies, or by providers who currently see the uninsured residents as patients. Once qualified and enrolled, program participants will be assigned a primary care provider/medical home and a case manager. Initial patient appointments will be scheduled by FCHAP staff. The standard patient "fee ticket" form will be faxed to the FCHAP coordinator following each visit to indicate follow-up needs and document the value of care. Referrals to specialists will be coordinated and tracked by FCHAP staff. Patients will be assisted with obtaining ordered labs/diagnostics and prescriptions.

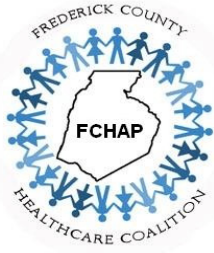
Provider Participation Benefits

- Rigorous eligibility determination
- Practice-defined level of commitment
- Network of providers/shared responsibility
- Fee paid at time of service by enrollees
- Limited paperwork for office staff
- Case management to assist patients with follow-up care
- Prescriptions assistance for patients
- Referrals coordinated and tracked
- Patient responsibility agreements with consequences for "no shows"
- Documentation of the actual value of care contribution
- Community recognition of care without fear of being overwhelmed

Community Benefits

- Increased access to primary and specialty care for low-income uninsured residents
- Coordination of care through connection with a medical home/specialty care and case management services
- Decreased use of emergency department for non-urgent needs
- Improved chronic disease management
- Improved overall health for uninsured residents of Frederick County
- Community recognition for the contributions of physicians who provide care for the uninsured

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PROGRAM COVERED TESTS:

LABS

Basic Metabolic Panel
Complete Blood count w/Differential
Comprehensive Metabolic Panel
Cholesterol
Drug levels: Digoxin, Depakote, Phenytoin, Lithium
Electrolyte Panel
Fasting Glucose
Ferritin
Folic Acid, Serum
Hemoglobin A1c
Hepatitis A IgM
Hepatitis B Surface Antigen
HCV EIA
Hepatic Function Panel
HCG (qualitative)
Iron
Iron w/TIBC
Lead level
Lipid Panel
PSA
PT/PTT
Routine culture
Thyroid panel
TSH
Urinalysis
Urine Culture
Uric Acid
Vitamin B12

DIAGNOSTICS

CT scans
EEG
EKG
Upper GI/Lower GI
X-rays

If a required test is not listed, please contact the FCHAP Program Coordinator at 301-788-8592 to determine if coverage is possible.